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Subject: Water Year 2018 Administration Update of Provo River Project, Utah Lake/Provo River Storage Exchanges

Dear Mr. Jones:

The purpose of this letter is to provide an update on usage of Association water held in Utah Lake as return flows and direct storage as detailed in its October 31, 2017 letter as required under the Utah Lake Distribution Plan as amended. As you are aware, the Association has requested consideration of a revised method of calculation for return flow credits available. Public hearings have been held for input on the proposed method and the Association is awaiting your decision.

Summarized from that letter and utilizing the proposed method of calculation, the Association has a total of 31,310 ac-ft of return flow water accumulated in Utah Lake available to exchange for the 2018 water year. In addition to the return flow values, the Association directly stored approximately 5,300 ac-ft of Weber River water under its water right A12141 in Utah Lake in 2017.

The Association anticipates that the Utah Lake conversion line will not be reached this year so any Provo River system storage water that is retained in Deer Creek Reservoir will be exchanged for Association water stored in Utah Lake

The Association appreciates the efforts of your staff in reviewing the proposed return flow calculation method, and looks forward to your decision on this matter in the near future.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey D. Budge, P.E.

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